THE PREY OF FLAMES

Two Conflagrations in the Crescent City.

Three Big Cotton Presses and Contents Burned.

Upwards of Eighty Thousand Bales of Cotton Consumed.

Four Squares of Residence Property Destroyed in Another Part of the City-The Firemen Helpless-Heavy Losses.

Associated Press Dispatches

NEW ORLEANS, April 3 .- One of the most destructive fires on record broke out at 10:30 this morning among some cotton on the sidewalk in front of a fireproof cotton press on Front street, where 10,000 bales of cotton was stored. The department promptly responded, but the wind was high and the cotton was so dry that it burned like tissue paper. The flames ran high, and in an almost incredibly short space of time were communicated to the press itself. The firemen worked like demons to arrest the progress of the flames, but their efforts were unavailing. Through the yards swept the fire, carrying devastation with it.

After three repeated alarms, a general alarm was sent in and all the engines in the city, with two or three exceptions the city, with two or three exceptions were called out. In a half hour after the flames started the fire-proof press was totally consumed with its contents, and the flames were communicated to the upper press, attacking the build ing from all sides with wonderful rapidity. In the press was stored 50,000 bales of cotton, some of which was saved, the greater portion being destroyed, however. It required but a very short time to destroy the press. Several firemen had narrow escapes from falling walls.

THE SIGHT WAS AWE-INSPIRING. THE SIGHT WAS AWE-INSPIRING.

For a space of at least two blocks a sheet of flames shot upward. Smoke and sparks from the fire being blown down into the street by the wind, choked and singed the spectators. Suddenly a small flame was seen to leap skyward from the corner of the Independence press. In a second almost the pendence press. In a second almost the entire square was ablaze, and the flames formed an almost solid block of fire. In the yard were stored some 10,000 bales of cotton, which were consumed in a little time. The place was gutted, and the contents, consisting of about 20,000 there certainly would have been but for the contents, consisting of about 20,000 there certainly would have been but for the contents. bales, destroyed. As it was soon apparing the burning structure, the firemen devoted their attention to the surrounding structures.

Everything in the neighborhood was thoroughly soaked. This probably saved a number of conflagrations, as sparks were falling in all directions.

THE BURNED DISTRICT is bounded by Peners, Front, Thelis and Robbin streets, and the presses destroyed are as follows: The fire proof owned by Penrose Bros.; Shippers, Boyd and Herrick, proprietors; Independence cotton yard; the Orleans cotton piers, Adam Norwich, manager.

The total amount of cotton burned, as

near as can be ascertained, is estimated at 80,000 bales, held by factories and commission merchants, and covered by open policies. Much of the cotton will be sent to the pitchers and saved, so that the total loss will probably not exceed \$30 per bale, making the total loss cotton between \$2,500,000 and and \$2,725,000. The loss on presses and sheds is estimated at \$150,000. It is thought the fire started from cigarettes which some person threw among the

For three blocks around the burning presses people moved out, fearing the fire would spread to their homes. Fire thieves got in their generous

UNFORTUNATE FIREMEN. When the walls of the Orleans cotton

under the mass. Shortly afterward the unfortunate firemen were taken from the ruins, moaning and crying with pain, and taken to the hospital, where their injuries were dressed. The men all belong to No. 13. Their names are Capt. Alfred Dupree, Lieutevant Shaw and Pipeman Bordeaux. Dupree was slightly injured, but the other two were badly hurt. A SECOND CONFLAGRATION.

While the cotton press fire was raging an alarm was sent in from a fire in the residence portion of the city, bounded by Laurel, Annunciation and Second and Third streets. A gale was blowing and the flames were fanned in all directions. Several engines went to the scene, but before they could get to active work the whole district was in flames. Every engine on both sides of the river was then summoned. The people living in the neighborhood took fright and wild scenes ensued. Houses were dismantled and their contents carried away. House after house went down, and the efforts of the firemen seemed in vain in face of the overwhelming odds. Tht flames spread in every direction, owing to the varying wind, and soon the section bounded by First, Third, Laurel and Magazine streets, four squares, was ablaze, and the wooden buildings devoured as if they were so much chaff. Every building in the four squares mentioned, except four, was destroyed.

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE HOMELESS. Hundreds of people are left homeless by the fire, and in many cases nothing was saved from the burning buildings. The scene presented is truly one of desolation. Nothing remains of the many handsome buildings embraced in the four squares, but blackened ruins.

The losses by the fire are estimated at \$250,000. It is believed that the build-

death by one of his own horses, a very savage and vicious brute; his skull was fractured and his jaw bone and several of his ribs were broken.

A FATAL DUEL.

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Two Southerners Settle an Old Grudge According to the Code.

New Orleans, April 4.—News is received here of a duel between Mr. Kirk and Mr. McGowan, both of West Melville, on Turnbull's island, which resulted in the killing of McGowan. The trouble arose about two years ago when Kirk's engagement to a young lady was broken because of alleged slanders concerning him. He then proposed and was accepted by Mrs. Theig, a wealthy widow. He claims that McGowan revived the charges against him, a challenge followed, and they fought with Winchesters at a hundred yards. The sheriff attempted to intercept the duelists, but arrived too late. Kirk and his seconds were arrested.

The Tilden Estate.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 3.—The appraiser of the estate of the late Samuel J. Tilden filed his appraisal in the surrogate's court yesterday. His report makes the total amount of the fortune \$5,200,000, which after the deduction of bequests, expenses, etc., leaves \$3,208,000 to be divided among the heirs.

Death of a Noted Belle. RICHMOND, Va., April 3.—Mrs. Philip Halxall, formerly Miss Mary Triplette, died this morning of an attack of apoplexy which only lasted eighteen minutes. She was a noted society belle and beauty and remotely the innocent cause of the famous Mordecai-McCarthy duel which occurred in 1873.

UNION MEN FEEL BLUE.

THE SHIP AMERICA SAILS WITH A NON-UNION CREW.

Captain Hall Outwitted the Seamen's Union-Bloodshed at San Pedro Anchorage Averted by a Bit of Strategy by the Corona's Skipper.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., April 3 .- The union sailors here looked very blue this morning at 6 o'clock, when they saw the ship America starting out with a full nonunion crew. They were outwitted in a smart manner by Captain Hall of the steamer Corona, who, profiting by the experience of ten days ago, adopted tac-

the ship, but Captain Hall had been advised of this and did not stop at Redondo, but came direct to the San Pedro anchorage, arriving five hours ahead of time. When alongside the America, he transferred the crew and then went to Redondo, arriving here again at 11:30.

As soon as the crew was on the America's deck the tug which had been lying by in readiness to tow her to sea, pulled

During the trip from San Francisco the non-union crew were virtually prisoners, there being aboard seventeen deputy United States marshals to guard them.

SAINTS IN SESSION.

Twelve Thousand Mormons Attend the Sixty-second Annual Conference. SALT LAKE CITY, April 3.—Over 12,000 Mormons attended the first day's session of the sixty-second annual conference of the church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints today. This session, in view of recent political events, is looked upon as one of the most important in the his"About the same, with some improvetory of the church. Apostle Richards, in a speech, declared that those people who believed that they had received all When the walls of the Orleans cotton the revelations that they were to get, press fell three men were seen falling are mistaken, and that more was to

President George Q. Cannon spoke hopefully of the future, and said the church was advancing with mighty strides, and that the hearts of the peoole of the east had been softened, and that they now all have a friendly feeling

for the church.

President Woodruff in a speech advocated the union of the people. They should be united in their work, for as a people they cannot deviate from the people they cannot deviate from the duty mapped out for them if they expect to have the blessings of God showered upon them. They should be of one heart and of one mind, and not deviate, for when they deviate they are in danger. He congratulated the people on the great change in their midst, and in the nation, and said the future was full of tion, and said the future was full of premise.

NO CHANCE FOR ESCAPE.

Sullivan and Corbett Bound to Battle For the Championship. New York, April 3.-The amended articles of agreement between John L. Sullivan, James Corbett and the Olympic club of New Orleans, were signed yesterday. There is now no loop-hole for either of the heavyweights to avoid battling for the world's championship and \$45,000 in money on Septem-

A Girl Abducted.

CHICAGO, April 3.—Ida Path, whose mother lives in Oakland, Cal., residing with her grandmother here, disappeared Friday, and it is believed she has been abducted. On St. Patrick's day she was lured away by a strange woman and kept over night, escaping next afternoon. It is thought she has agan fallen into the hands of the same people.

Murdered His Mistress. \$250,000. It is believed that the buildings were mostly insured.

PHILADELPHIA, April 3.—Mary Benlettie, alias Mrs. Mollie Hartman, was shot and instantly killed today by John Harnette, a man with whom she lived for the past nine years. Harnette was arrested.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

Forecast of the Week's Work The Retiring Minister to France Has Himself Interviewed. in Congress.

Tariff Bills Will Hold the Boards in the House.

The Silver Question Will Come Up in the Senate.

Whitelaw Reid Returns from France. Minister Conger Home from Brazil-Justice Lamar Very III. Washington Notes.

Associated Press Dispatches. WASHINGTON, April 3 .- According to the present programme of the leaders of the majority the tariff question will be practically the only matter under consideration in the house during the coming week, and at the close two, and possibly three separate tariff bills will be transferred to the senate. The wool and woolen bills are rapidly nearing the final vote. General debate has ceased on the free wool bill. and five-minute limitation applies to speeches upon any paragraph of the bill, or any proposed amendment. There is some talk to the effect that the bill will be passed tomorrow by a two-thirds vote, under suspension of the rule, but this may not be accepted, as all opportunity for amendment will thereby be cut off. The Republican minerity has a large number of substantial amendments to offer, and the opportunity to discuss and vote upon these and other amendments will be freely offered. It is, therefore, probable that the whole committee will not come to a final vote till Tuesday afternoon at the earliest.

The binding twine bill will follow the wool bilk. It is believed by the speaker that a few hours' general debate by each side is sufficient to bring the measure to a vote, and perhaps can be row by a two-thirds vote, under suspen-

measure to a vote, and perhaps can be acted on in season to permit the bagging bill to be taken up before the

Unless it should be the disposition to debate the binding twine and bagging bills at considerable length, the appropriation bills will be suffered to wait upon the tariff bills. With the possible

A great number of union men were bill can be passed in half an hour. waiting at Redondo to take passage on Morgan's resolution is to be called up, the Corona for San Pedro, in order to and the senate is to enter upon the prevent the non-union men from joining rough discussion of the silver question, as well as the depression which is as serted to exist in agriculture. Morgan himself will undertake to open the debate, which will doubtless occupy the entire week, but the order in which the senators will speak has not been further arranged.

LAMAR VERY ILL.

The Justice Is a Very Sick Man, but Exceedingly Plucky.

WASHINGTON, April 3.-The condition of Justice Lamar, of the supreme court, is much more serious than the public are generally aware of. He suffered with hemorrhages of the lungs for several days, and in addition is said to have symptoms of Bright's disease. His family are greatly worried at his condi-The recurrence of the hemortion. rhages precludes sleep, and this greatly aggravates his trouble. Notwithstanding the gravity of the case, Justice Lamar is still strong enough to write, and when a reporter called at the house to ascering bulletin in his own handwriting: "About the same, with some improvement. Hemorrhages less in number and not so profuse. Complains of pains

A VARNISHED TALE.

Minister Conger Tells How Reciprocity Works With Brazil.

WASHINGTON, April 3.-Hon. E. H. Conger, United States minister to Brazil, is in Washington en route to his home in Iowa on a leave of absence. Mr. Conger says the opposition to the reciprocity treaty is dying out, and the English and German importers are now sending to the United States for goods in order to secure the advantages of the treaty. The increased trade has com-pelled the Brazil Steamship company to run fourteen steamers monthly instead of three, as formerly. He says Brazil will make a splendid exhibit at the

The Tehuantepec Railroad. Washington, April 3.—The government of Mexico has made a contract with B. L. Corthell, a Chicago engineer; Mr. Hampson, formerly of Fairfield, Ia., and Mr. Stanhope, an English resident of Mexico, to complete the railway across the lethmus of Tehuantepec, begun by an English company some time ago.
Two millions of dollars which the government has in hand for the work will be given to Corthell and his associates, as a subsidy, together with the right to organize a company, issue securities, build terminals, and two harbors for the largest class of vessels.

Springer Again Out. Washington, April 3.—Chairman Springer of the ways and means committee has so far regained his health that he was today able to attend church and afterwards take a short drive. He will appear in the house tomorrow for an hour or so, and as chairman of the ways and means committee make the closing argument in favor of the free-

Italy and the World's Fair. WASHINGTON, April 3.—C. F. Carario-riati, secretary of the Italian-American board of promotion of the world's fair, doubts the veracity of the cablegram an-nouncing that Italy will take no part in the world's fair if indemnity is not paid

for the New Orleans massacre. He says that the Italian government has agreed to keep the matters separate.

REID'S RETURN.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Hon. Whitelaw Reid, United States minister to France, was seen on board the Champagne this morning, and talked freely concerning international affairs. Speaking of the reciprocity and extradition treaties between the United States and France, which Mr. Reid had with him, he said the signing of these treaties completed, with minor exceptions, all the pending negotiations between the United States and France. It only remains for the senate and chamber of deputies to ratify them. The reciprocity treaty will doubtthem. The reciprocity treaty will doubt-less be a great benefit to both countries. Reid thought the lifting of the embargo from American pork would greatly in-

from American pork would greatly increase the quantity exported.

Reid said the French government is certainly much stronger than when he visited France twelve years ago, and from what he could see it was constantly gaining strength. The recent attitude of the pope had the effect of attaching the clerical party to the cause of the republic, though hitherto they sympathized with the Monarchists.

Referring to American affairs, Reid said the congressional revolution caused by the last election had thoroughly aroused the Republicans, and he believed they would make a vigorous and winning fight.

Reid thought the mention of his name as a presidential candidate was nothing more than a mark of friendliness on the part of newspaper men.

PROUD OF HIS CRIMES.

RAVACHOL, THE DYNAMITE FIEND, CONFESSES.

He Says Every Poor Man Should Follow His Example and Murder and Rob. Anarchists Are too Proud to Beg and to Work Is Unjust.

Paris, April 3.-The report is confirmed that Ravachol has made a full

Rayachol said to the magistrate: "I am proud of what I have done and you will not get a single word of im-portance out of me. If I had not been arrested I would have continued my exexperience of ten days ago, adopted tactics by which he put the crew sent from San Francisco aboard the America, without any trouble whatever.

It was fully expected that there would be bloodshed at the anchorage this morning when the Corona arrived, and there certainly would have been but for Captain Hall's strategy.

A great number of union men were upon the tariff bills. With the possible exception of the urgency deficiency appropriation bill, more of them are likely to be taken up this week.

The Indian appropriation bill is expected to come up in the senate tomorrow afternoon, as there is pending but one motion, viz: to strike out the provision for transferring the duties of Indian agents. It is believed the bill can be passed in half an hour. work. Labor is injustice so long as it enriches the employer, who gives his workers just enough to keep body and soul together. Everyone having nothing ought to rob and murder. When there are more men like myself the rich will come to terms. I am a martyr in the humanitarian cause."

DEEMING'S BOLD FRONT.

He Will Sue the Newspapers for Libel When He Gets Out.

Melbourne, April 3.—Deeming has now assumed a bold front, and threat-ens the newspapers with libel as soon as he gets out. He says the idea that he is connected with Jack the Ripper work is absurd. He says he has made a confession to no one.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, April 3.

The police have failed to connect Deeming with the murders committed

The War in Dahomey.

Paris, April 3.-A dispatch from Ponto Novo says 2000 Dahomeyans, armed with rifles, are in camp near Oboa, on the river Quemo. The king has sent a letter to the French residents here, saying everything on the land belongs to him, including Ponto

A Socialist Manifesto.

Paris, April 3.—A Socialist manifesto calls upon workmen to organize in order that the May-day demonstration may surpass anything preceding it, and ex-horts the people to keep calm and leave to the bourgeoise the responsibility for massacres like that at Fourmies.

The Missouri Arrived at Libau. LIBAU, April 3.—The steamer Missouri from New York, with a cargo for the famine sufferers, was enthusiastically welcomed on her arrival here. The discharge of her cargo has commenced.

Dynamite Stolen. Paris, April 3.-Twenty-six pounds of dynamite were stolen from the rail works at Mines. Anarchist workmen have been arrested in connection with the robbery.

An Admiralty Order. London, April 3.—The admiralty has ordered a report showing the dates on which ships being built under the naval defense act will be completed.

An Epidemic Checked. London, April 3.—Chaplin, president of the board of agriculture, reports that the foot and mouth disease has ceased

A Dry Sunday in New York. NEW YORK, April 3.—Today was probably the first Sunday New York has ever seen that all the saloons were closed up tight, owing to the notifica-tion by the police that the saloon-keep-ers must respect the law.

London, April 3.—The steamer Maine, reported lost yesterday, burned March 23d, off Fayal. Cattle and some bales of cotton were saved.

A Liquid Combustible. Naples. April 3.—The secret trials of a liquid combustible, used by torpedo vessels, were recently made at Spezzia and were very successful.

A Long Needed Want. The enterprising proprietors, Garms & Zorb, of the Olympic Hall have opened a bowling alley and shuffle board. All lovers of the above games will please take notice.



Utah Democrats Divided. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, April 3 .- The Democratic party of Utah split yesterday. In 1888 a regularly called convention met in Ogden, which ignored the Mormons and elected delegates to the national convention, who were admited, and elected a territorial committee for four years. When the party line division movement started last summer, and the manifesto to abandon polygamy was promulgated, the Democratic chair man joined in the movement and called a convention, when a new committee was named. Today he called a meeting of the Democratic committee to name the time and place of holding the territorial convention to elect delegates to Chicago. Both committees attended. The chairman informed the committee of 1888, that he recognized the new committee, and called a convention at Salt Lake, May 3d. The new Mormon committee called a convention to meet at Ogden, May 14th. Colonel Ferry, member from Utah of the Democratic national committee, was excluded from the Mormon Democratic meeting.

Apparent Infanticide.

Сисадо, April 3.—Evidences of what is believed to be a murder was unearthed by the police today at the residence of Mrs. Paine, who rents rooms at 2301 Wabash avenue. Stench was noticed in the vicinity for several days, and today it became so offensive that the police were called in to investigate, and they discovered a bundle lying in a corner which was found to contain the body of a 3-months-old child. The body was so decomposed that the fingers and flesh of the dead infant fell off when removed. Across the abdomen was a gash four inches long. Mrs. Paine could give no information regarding the matter. The police believe it to be murder, and and are now looking for the criminals.

Cattlemen's Convention. OGDEN, Utah, April 3.—A call for a cattlemen's convention was formally issued here yesterday, signed by 124 of the most prominent range men in the west. The congress is to convene in this city April 29th and includes Utah, Montana, Washington, Texas, Kansas Colorado, North and South Dakota, Ne braska, New Mexico, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and Arizona. A large attendance of cattlemen is expected.

Russo-Bulgarian Conspiracy. FRANKFORT, April 3.—The Frankfort Zeitung says a Russo-Bulgarian conspiracy has been organized in Odessa, vith branches in Constantinople and Belgrade, supported by money paid by the Belgrade government to defray the cost of Russian occupation, and the Russian government is cognizant of a settled plan to overthrow the Stambouloff government in Bulgaria.

Mermon Republicans. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, April 3 .- The Mormon Republicans in convention at Provo last night elected O. J. Salisbury and Frank J. Cannon delegates to the Minneapolis convention.

A Circus Man's Death. BERLIN, April 3.—Ernest Renz, founder of the well known Renz circus,

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